

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

# UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 5490-000341

First Inventor Meridew, et al.

Title METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR USE OF A SELF-TAPPING RESORBABLE SCREW

Express Mail Label No. EL623303709US

PTO

22141 U.S. PTO  
10/09/03**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1.  Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)

2.  Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.

3.  Specification [Total Pages 21]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)  
 - Descriptive title of the Invention   
 - Cross References to Related Applications   
 - Statement Regarding Fed Sponsored R & D   
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table,  
or a computer program listing appendix   
 - Background of the Invention   
 - Brief Summary of the Invention   
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)   
 - Detailed Description   
 - Claim(s)   
 - Abstract of the Disclosure

Specification  
filed in English

4.  Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C.113) [Total Sheets 9 ] [Total Pages 1 ]

5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 1 ]

- a.  Newly executed (original or copy)  
 b.  Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))  
 (for a continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)  
 i.  **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
 Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
 named in the prior application, see 37 CFR  
 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6.  Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

**ADDRESS TO:**Mail Stop Patent Application  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

7.  CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or  
Computer Program (Appendix)

8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)

- a.  Computer Readable Form (CRF)  
 b. Specification Sequence Listing on:  
 i.  CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or  
 ii.  paper  
 c.  Statements verifying identity of above copies

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS**

9.  Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))  
 10.  37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) Statement  Power of  
(when there is an assignee) Attorney
11.  English Translation Document (if applicable)
12.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449  Copies of IDS  
Citations
13.  Preliminary Amendment
14.  Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
15.  Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16.  Request and Non Publication under 35 U.S.C. 122  
(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35  
or its equivalent.
17.  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment,  
or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

 Continuation     Divisional     Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Group / Art Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Prior application information: Examiner \_\_\_\_\_

For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied  
under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference.  
The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

**17. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS** Customer Number or Bar Code Label

27572

or  Correspondence address below

(Insert Customer No. or Attach bar code label here)

Name	Harness, Dickey & Pierce, P.L.C.				
	Richard W. Warner				
Address	P.O. Box 828				
City	Bloomfield Hills	State	MI	Zip Code	48303
Country	United States of America	Telephone	248-641-1600	Fax	248-641-0270
Name (Print/Type)	Richard W. Warner		Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)		38,043
Signature	<i>Richard W. Warner</i>		Date	Sept. 9, 2003	

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

# FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2003

Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 1288)

Complete if Known	
Application Number	To Be Assigned
Filing Date	To Be Assigned
First Named Inventor	Meridew, et al.
Examiner Name	To Be Assigned
Group / Art Unit	To Be Assigned
Attorney Docket No.	5490-000341

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)				FEE CALCULATION (continued)											
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Check <input type="checkbox"/> Credit card <input type="checkbox"/> Money Order <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Deposit Account: Deposit Account Number    08-0750  Deposit Account Name    Harness, Dickey & Pierce, P.L.C.				<b>3. ADDITIONAL FEES</b> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Large Entity</th> <th>Small Entity</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Fee Code</td> <td>Fee (\$)</td> <td>Fee Code</td> <td>Fee (\$)</td> <td>Fee Description</td> <td>Fee Paid</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The Commissioner is authorized to: (check all that apply)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Charge fee(s) indicated below    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Credit any overpayments  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge any additional fee(s) during the pendency of this application  <input type="checkbox"/> Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee to the above-identified deposit account.</p>				Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
Large Entity	Small Entity														
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid										
FEE CALCULATION															
1. BASIC FILING FEE															
Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description				Fee Paid									
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description		Fee Paid									
1001	750	2001	375	Utility filing fee		750									
1002	330	2002	165	Design filing fee											
1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee											
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue filing fee											
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee											
SUBTOTAL (1)				(\$ 750)											
2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES															
Total Claims	43	-20 **	= 23	X 18	= 414										
Independent Claims	4	-3 **	= 1	X 84	= 84										
Multiple Dependent				X 0	= 0										
Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description				Fee Paid									
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description		Fee Paid									
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20											
1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3											
1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid											
1204	84	2204	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent											
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent											
SUBTOTAL (2)				(\$ 498)											
Other fee (specify) _____															
*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid						SUBTOTAL (3) (\$ 40)									

\*\*or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above

SUBMITTED BY						Complete (if applicable)	
Name (Print/Type)	Richard W. Warner	Registration No. Attorney/Agent	38,043	Telephone	(248) 641-1600		
Signature					Date	Sept. 9, 2003	

WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

PTO/SB/35 (11-00)

Approved for use through 10/31/2002, OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U. S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

<b>NONPUBLICATION REQUEST UNDER 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)</b>		First Named Inventor	Jason D. Meridew
Title	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR USE OF A SELF-TAPPING RESORBABLE SCREW		
		Atty Docket Number	5490-000341

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

9/8/03  
Date

Signature

David A. Nolan  
President

Typed or printed name

This request must be signed in compliance with 37 CFR 1.33(b) and submitted with the application upon filing.

Applicant may rescind this nonpublication request at any time. If applicant rescinds a request that an application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b), the application will be scheduled for publication at eighteen months from the earliest claimed filing date for which a benefit is claimed.

If applicant subsequently files an application directed to the invention disclosed in the attached application in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications eighteen months after filing, the applicant must notify the United States Patent and Trademark Office of such filing within forty-five (45) days after the date of the filing of such foreign or international application. Failure to do so will result in abandonment of this application (35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(iii)).

**Burden Hour Statement:** This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 1.213(a). The information is used by the public to request that an application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b) (and the PTO to process that request). Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This form is estimated to take 6 minutes to complete. This time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.